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Chalmette Battlefield Task Force Minutes

Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting March 4, 2004 at 3:00 p.m.
Location: St. Bernard Government Complex
Chambers Meeting Room
8245 W. Judge Perez Drive
Chalmette, Louisiana 70043

Task Force Members Present:

Capt. Bonnie Pepper Cook
Mr. Anthony Fernandez, Jr.
Mr. Alvin W. Guillot
Mr. Drew Heaphy, CPA
Mrs. Elizabeth McDougall, Chairperson
Mr. Paul V. Perez, CFP
Ms. Geraldine Smith
Mr. Tim Bemisderfer, Federal Designated Officer for Regional Director
Southeast Regional Office

Task Force Members Absent:

Mrs. George W. Davis
Ms. Faith Moran
Col. John F. Pugh, Jr.

Next Meeting:

May 26, 2004
St. Bernard Government Complex
Chambers Meeting Room
8245 W. Judge Perez Drive
Chalmette, Louisiana 70043

The meeting was called to order by Elizabeth McDougall at 3:20 p.m.

Old Business

Tim Bemisderfer reviewed the results and ideas from the January 2004 public input suggestions and the public scoping meetings. The ideas and suggestions were incorporated into four development concepts and presented to the task force to discuss and review. He solicited additional comments to be sent to his regional office.

The four development concepts were titled: Partnership for Preservation, Critical Mass, Destination, and Broken Ring. Each of these development concepts encompasses common elements and themes that were applied in different ways. The common elements discussed were the size & location of a new visitor center, the size and location of parking lots, the transportation patterns of visitors, relocation of the park maintenance facility and relocation of the entrance to the National Cemetery. Partnership opportunities with the local parish government were also included in the discussions for several improvements such as an off- site visitor center, and possible new entrance and roadway landscaping.

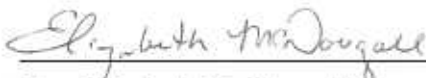
New Business

Tim B. opened a discussion that the final task force report will need to be ready to submit to the Regional Director at the last task force meeting in August 2004. A motion to form a sub-committee to present a draft report at the next meeting was made by Mr. Heaphy and seconded by Mr. Gulliot. Elizabeth McDougall, chairperson of the task force, will appoint a chairman for the sub-committee. A motion to accept the November 11, 2003 minutes was made by Mr. Heaphy and seconded by Ms. Pepper-Cook.

The next three meeting dates were set for May 26, 2004, June 16, 2004 and August 18, 2004 at St. Bernard Government Complex Chambers Meeting Room 8245 W. Judge Perez, Chalmette, Louisiana 70043 All three dates will be submitted for publication in the Federal Register.

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Fernandez and seconded by Mr. Gulliot. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

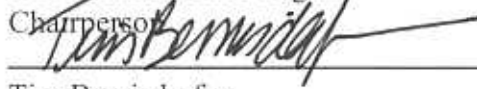
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Ms. Elizabeth McDougall
Chairperson

5-26-04

Date



Tim Bemisderfer
Federal Designated Officer

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